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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Dr. Paul E. Stanton, Jr.  
for his work at the James H. Quillen College of  
Medicine at East Tennessee State University  
and becoming President of East Tennessee  
State University.

WHEREAS, it is only fitting that the members of this General Assembly recognize those  
special persons whose dedication and hard work have had a significant impact on Tennessee;  
and

WHEREAS, Dr. Paul E. Stanton, Jr. is one such remarkable citizen whose work at the  
James H. Quillen College of Medicine at East Tennessee State University has been highly  
praised; and

WHEREAS, on January 1, 1997, Dr. Paul E. Stanton, Jr. became the eighth president of  
East Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, the son of the late Paul E. and Mary Ruth Pollard Stanton, Dr. Paul Stanton,  
Jr. received his Bachelor of Arts degree in chemistry from Emory University and received his  
M.D. from the Medical College of Georgia in 1969; and

WHEREAS, he performed his internship at Tampa General Hospital at the University of  
South Florida in rotating surgery, where he was selected as one of 23 other applicants who  
received the Upjohn Intern of the Year Award in 1970; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Stanton then completed a surgical residency at Georgia Baptist Medical  
Center in Atlanta from 1970-74; and

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WHEREAS, he successfully completed a fellowship in vascular surgery at Northwestern University in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, his stellar tenure in medicine has earned him numerous academic appointments, even a brief list of which is inspiring: Director, Surgical Residency Education Program, Georgia Baptist Medical Center 1975-83, Assistant Clinical Professor of Surgery, Medical College of Georgia - 1980-85, Chief of Surgery, Georgia Baptist Medical Center - 1982-85, Adjunct Professor of Medicine - Mercer University Southern School of Pharmacy - 1982-85, Associate Professor of Surgery, Quillen-Dishner College of Medicine - 1985-86, Professor and Chair, Department of Surgery, Quillen-Dishner College of Medicine, ETSU-1986-88, Dean of Medicine and Vice President for Health Affairs, James H. Quillen College of Medicine, ETSU - 1989-96 and President of East Tennessee State University - January 1, 1997- present; and

WHEREAS, because of his exceptional expertise in the medical field, Dr. Stanton has been appointed a member of the Citizen's TennCare Review Commission, the Governor's TennCare Committee on Graduate Medical Education and the Governor's TennCare Roundtable; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Stanton is an active and vital part of several professional organizations, including the American Medical Association, Southern Medical Association, Tennessee Medical Association, American College of Angiology, Southeastern Surgical Congress, International Society for Cardiovascular Surgery and the Sigma Xi Scientific Research Society; and

WHEREAS, despite the intensive demands of his profession, Dr. Paul Stanton has managed to devote himself to numerous civic activities, such as the Sequoyah Council Boy Scouts of America, the Appalachian Girl Scout Council, Johnson City Medical Center Hospital and the American Heart Association; and

WHEREAS, his countless accomplishments aside, Dr. Paul Stanton, Jr. is most appreciative of the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Nancy Lynn Brumit Stanton, and their three children, Eric, Ryan and Shelley; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Stanton's many contributions during his long, successful tenure in the medical field will indeed be a valuable asset as he assumes the presidency of East Tennessee State University; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Dr. Paul E. Stanton, Jr. for his meritorious service to East Tennessee State University, and congratulate him on becoming the new president of East Tennessee State University.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.